House Resolution No. 2259

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize those Show-Me State residents who admirably have bettered the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their volunteer endeavors down through the years; and

Whereas, Willie Mae Davis of Jefferson City, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as a cook who worked for forty years at the Manhattan Café, Lincoln Laboratory, and Clark Senior Center, from where she retired; and

Whereas, Willie Mae Davis further distinguished herself through a long, productive affiliation with Mount Vernon Missionary Baptist Church; and

Whereas, born in Cedar City, Missouri, on October 29, 1927, into the family of Viola and Tommy Reynolds, Willie Mae Davis attended school in Cedar City and subsequently joined Mount Vernon Missionary Baptist Church at the age of twenty; and

Whereas, Willie Mae Davis has served Mount Vernon Missionary Baptist Church in many diverse ways, including as Sunday School treasurer, Choir president, Youth Choir director, member of the Mother Board, member of the Trustee board, and church kitchen supervisor for nearly sixty years; and

Whereas, Willie Mae Davis is justifiably proud to be known as the loving mother of Myvera Wesbrook, Delbert Vaughn, Tommy Vaughn, Lionel Smith, Vanetta Anokm, James Smith, and the late David Bayham; grandmother of nine children; great-grandmother of six children; and sibling of Howard Reynolds, Alexander Simpson, Emogene McDaniels, Diane Flonoy, Mary Johnson, Johnella Bayham, and the late Tom Reynolds; and

Whereas, retirement has given Willie Mae Davis more time to enjoy crocheting and knitting hats, scarves, and blankets for newborns in the church and community:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar contributions so generously made by Willie Mae Davis to the members and programs of Mount Vernon Missionary Baptist Church and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success in life for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Willie Mae Davis of Jefferson City, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative Robin Wright Jones
District No. 63
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2259, adopted April 18, 2007.